

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE FISHTOFT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE PLAYING FIELD PAVILION ON MONDAY 21 JANUARY 2019 COMMENCING AT 7.00PM

In attendance: Councillor E Armstrong (Chairman)
Councillors H Staples (Vice Chairman), R Lenton, M Ordway, O Snell, N Fitton,
P Skinner (arrived at 7.53pm), J Skinner (arrived at 7.56pm)
Boston Borough Councillor J Noble (arrived at 7.56pm)
Mrs K Partridge (Clerk)
1 member of the public
2 representatives of Anglian Water

1 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS: Councillor Armstrong welcomed all to the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies for absence received and accepted from Councillors D Walkerley, J Flynn, apologies for late arrival from Councillors J Skinner and P Skinner. Apologies for late arrival also received from Boston Borough Councillor J Noble. Apologies for absence received from Lincolnshire County Councillor M Griggs.

3 PRESENTATION BY ANGLIAN WATER: Mr T Holt and Mr D Smith for Anglian Water.

A speed gun has been used by AW to check on their own vehicles and tankers travelling to the site, previous issues of bulkers speeding has been dealt with.

New covers have been fitted to holding tanks. New surfacing on the road to the site and a new roof and extraction system on the East Side station.

Liming process will recommence shortly, this is a temporary measure and hopefully will not go on for long. The cake will always need to be transported to and from the site.

Concerns raised by a member of the public during the forum will be passed to the correct department and AW will keep in touch with the resident.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Councillor P Skinner declared an interest in all planning matters through his role on the Planning Committee at Boston Borough Council and took no part in planning discussions.

5 POLICE REPORT: Not received.

6 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 DECEMBER 2018: It was resolved the minutes be approved and signed, proposed by Councillor Fitton, seconded by Councillor Lenton and agreed.

7 REPORT ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Maple Road Play Area: Application for Pocket Parks Grant Funding ready for submission.

8 VIEWPOINTS ON QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC DURING THE FORUM:

Concerns regarding poor state of water pipe and road surface on Scalp Road has been taken on board by Anglian Water who will pass to the appropriate person and contact the resident.

9 CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

General correspondence was available and included Clerks & Councils Direct.

Buckingham Palace Invitation: LALC had forwarded invitation for Parish Councils to nominate a member and guest to attend a Buckingham Palace Garden Party on 29 May. Invitations in recognition of past service as Chairman of Parish Council. Councillor Staples nominated Councillor Ordway, agreed.

LALC Training: New training schedule for 2019 received, Clerk to forward to all Members.

10 COUNCILLORS ISSUES:

- Dog Foul signs at Pilgrim Fathers and Hobhole Pumping Station – requested by Councillor Fitton

Councillor Fitton reported the dog signs at Pilgrim Fathers and Hobhole Pumping Station had been defaced. Councillor Armstrong had provided new ones. The dog waste bin at Hobhole Pumping Station has been vandalised and burned.

It was resolved to ask the insurance company if the dog waste bin would be covered; prices of new bin (metal) to be sourced.

Councillor P Skinner arrived at 7.53pm.

Councillors J Skinner and Boston Borough Councillor J Noble arrived at 7.56pm.

11 BOSTON BOROUGH AND LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

Councillor Noble reported on the following:-

- Councillors P Skinner and J Skinner and J Noble attended a recent SOS meeting at Pilgrim Hospital. An interim model is in place with regards to children's services and maternity. Shortage of doctors and Nurse Practitioners. Facilities at other hospitals are poor with no food or transport available.
- Waste and recycling – consultation will soon be available online.
- Attended a Business Development meeting, Boston unemployment rate is 1.5%.

12 FINANCE REPORT:

a) a budget update was presented and accepted.

b) to approve payment of accounts:

Clerks salary - £333.19

Clerks expenses - £37.47

Grass cutting amenity/open space areas (1/10th annual charge) £721.92 (£120.32 VAT)

Grass cutting LCC areas (1/10th annual charge) £316.80 (£52.80 VAT)

Printing of maps - £30.00 (£5.00 VAT)

c) to approve budget and precept for 2019/2020 financial year

Following discussion the following budget was approved, following items agreed:

- Clerks salary increased in line with NALC scales

- LALC subscription increased to take into account shortfall on this year and allow for increase
- Phone/stationery increased to allow for costs of mobile wifi hub, these costs are shared with Algarkirk Parish Council
- LALC training fee increased to cover additional charge
- Footway lights running costs and replacement costs increased by 2.9%
- Maintenance of open spaces increased by 2.9%
- Additional £600 agreed to have a rolling programme to replace all 4 notice boards

The Playing Field Committee had asked if the Parish Council could make a donation towards the cost of having the trees around the playing field trimmed, cost £4,000. Clerk to ask for further details.

Notice Board: Cost for replacement notice board approximately £540.00 excluding VAT. 58mm deep painted aluminium frame, hinged door glazed with 4mm plexishock, 2 keys, shaped header for text, 5 year guarantee and complete with 2 posts.

ITEM	2018/19	Actual spend or to date	2019/20	Increase or decrease
Clerks salary	£3,939.97	£4,018.33	£4,102.80	£162.83
Insurance	£200.00	£149.95	£200.00	
Audit fee	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	
LALC sub	£944.94	£957.27	£980.00	£35.06
Witham Fourth IDB	£230.00	£205.12	£230.00	
Hall hire	£240.00	£240.00	£240.00	
Phone/stationery	£500.00	£500.00	£607.00	£107.00
Poppy wreath	£35.00	£35.00	£35.00	
Contingency fund	£500.00	£122.01	£500.00	
Chair's allowance	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00	
Repairs and renewals	£400.00	£0.00	£400.00	
Reserves - general budget	£1,000.00	£78.36	£1,000.00	
Information Commissioner	£55.00	£55.00	£55.00	
LALC training fee	£125.00	£135.00	£135.00	£10.00
Memorial weedkill treatment	£125.00	£125.00	£125.00	
Notice Board	£0.00	£0.00	£600.00	£600.00
DONATIONS/GRANTS				
PCC	£700.00	£700.00	£700.00	
Rochford Tower Hall	£350.00	£350.00	£350.00	
Playing Field Trust (max)	£950.00	£950.00	£950.00	
Forget Me Not Club	£300.00	£300.00	£300.00	
PARISH MAINTENANCE				
Footway lights running costs	£3,544.00	£3,544.00	£3,647.00	£103.00
Footway lights replacement	£7,275.00	£4,500.00	£7,486.00	£211.00
Maintenance open spaces, BBC & LCC	£9,587.60	£9,500.00	£9,867.00	£279.40
Election costs	£770.00	£0.00	£770.00	
TOTAL	£32,071.51	£26,665.04	£33,579.80	£1,508.29

Total budget of £33,579.80, less allotment rents of £1560.00, making a total precept request of £32,019.80. Divided by council tax base for Band D equivalent = £15.09 per Band D property - the figure for the current financial year was £14.21, An increase of 88p.

13 PILGRIM FATHERS ANNIVERSARY UPDATE:

Councillor Armstrong reported there will be a meeting on 28 January with Wendy Moore who will help to find funding and complete the necessary applications.

14 PLANNING MATTERS: To discuss the following application:-

B/18/0528 – 85 dwellings with associated infrastructure including new estate roads, public open space and attenuation ponds at land adjacent and to the south of Hawthorn Tree School on the east side of Toot Lane. Comments to be passed to Planning – why are there additional dwellings to the original 79, has the vehicle pull-in been removed?

Planning applications on appeal to the Secretary of State:-

B/18/0075 – Outline application with some matters (appearance, landscaping and scale) reserved for a proposed development of 6 no. dwellings including details of access and layout at The Grange, 114 Church Green Road.

B/18/0267 – erection of 1 no. detached two storey dormer style residential dwelling at 6A Priory Road, Fishtoft.

All comments previously made by the Parish Council have been passed to the Secretary of State.

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Monday 18 February 2019 at Rochford Tower Hall and will commence at 7.00pm with a 10 minute public forum, if required.

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.12pm.